

As a member of the Indiana State Police Department, and a 29-year veteran of its Communications Division, a 25 year member of APCO, I wish to make comment regarding the support for approval of WT Docket No. 02-285 RM-10077.

Public Safety Agencies in Indiana over the years, have supported an Indiana Region Plan concept of Mutual Aid or Interoperability since about 1947 with the Indiana Police Plan, a VHF radio plan, which was accepted by the Commission and is still in use today. The Fire Departments in Indiana have a VHF Interoperability Plan that has been in use for over 30 years. The Indiana State Emergency Management Agency has had an Interoperability Plan in place for almost 30 years. The Indiana Emergency Medical services have had an Interoperability plan for about the same time period. The National VHF Police Emergency Channel 155.475 MHz has an Indiana Plan called ILEEN (Indiana Law Enforcement Emergency Network), which has been in effect since 1977. As long as there is a coordinated plan to assure protection to these Regional Public Safety Interoperability Plans like those of Indiana, by all of the Frequency Coordinators, there should be no problem with the Competitive Coordination process proposed in this docket. I therefore support WT Docket No. 02-285 RM-10077 with the provisions that Frequency Coordinators respect Regional Plans in the VHF bands as utilized in the State of Indiana.

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